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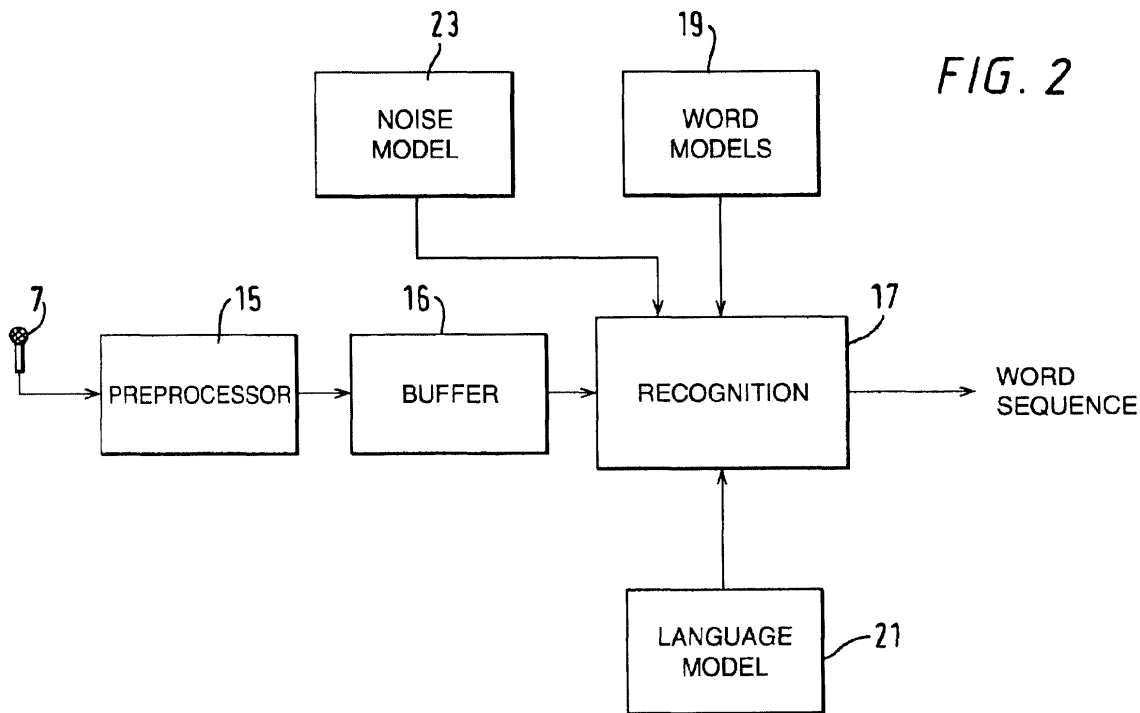
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Speech processing apparatus and method

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An apparatus is provided for checking the consistency between two training words which can be used in, for example, a speech recognition or verification system. Two training examples are aligned using a dynamic programming alignment process and an average frame

score is calculated from the alignment results together with the worst score in a number of consecutive frames. These values are then compared with similar values obtained from training examples which are known to be consistent to determine if the training examples are consistent.





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